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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 02950.P012D

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First Named Inventor Joseph F. KHOURITitle: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A TELEPHONE CALLExpress Mail Label No. EL617180475US

ADDRESS TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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 Washington, D. C. 20231

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. X **Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)**
 (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. **Applicant Claims Small Entity Status. (37 CFR 1.27)**
3. X **Specification (Total Pages 25)**
 (preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference sequence listing, a table,
 or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. X **Drawings(s) (35 USC 113) (Total Sheets 5)**
5. X **Oath or Declaration (Total Pages 4)**
 - a. Newly Executed (Original or Copy)
 - b. X Copy from a Prior Application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
 (for Continuation/Divisional with Box 17 completed)
 - i. DELETIONS OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
 - c. Unsigned.
6. **Application Data Sheet. (37 CFR 1.76)**
7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
 (if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
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 - ii. paper
 - c. Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ **Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents(s))**
10. ☐ a. Separate 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (where there is an assignee)
- ☐ b. Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ a. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
- ☒ b. Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☒ **Preliminary Amendment**
14. ☒ **Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)**
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ **Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.**
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18A. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

Of ☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)
 Of Prior Application No.: 08/920,669 Examiner Ho, C. Group Art Unit 2153
 (which is a ☐ continuation/ ☐ divisional/ ☐ CIP of prior application no. _____,
 which is a ☐ continuation/ ☐ divisional/ ☐ CIP of prior application no. _____) (List entire chain of priority)

Applicant(s): Also include a Preliminary Amendment to amend the specification to claim priority.
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR CONTINUING APPLICATION
(CONTINUATION, DIVISIONAL, OR CONTINUATION-IN-PART)**

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Title A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A TELEPHONE CALL

Attorney Docket No. 02950P012D

Parent Application:

First Named Inventor Joseph F. KHOURI

Title METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ESTABLISHING CONNECTIONS

Application No. 08/920,669

Examiner: Ho, C.

Filing Date August 29, 1997

Group Art Unit: 2153

Applicant(s): If the present patent application is a Continuation, Divisional, or Continuation-In-Part application under 37 CFR § 53(b) of a parent application, then submit this Preliminary Amendment to the PTO. Please insert the appropriate claim for priority, listing the entire chain of priority.

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Please enter the following preliminary amendment for the present patent application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 4, please insert the following:

-- The present patent application is a

 Continuation X Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application no. 08/920,669, filed August 29, 1997, entitled A Method and Apparatus
for Establishing Connections

which is a continuation/ divisional/ CIP of prior application no. ,

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Attorney Docket No.	02950.P012D

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[] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee	
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional application filing fee	

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

2. <u>EXTRA CLAIM FEES</u>			<u>Fee from below</u>	<u>Fee Paid</u>
		<u>Extra Claims</u>		
Total Claims	<u>12</u>	- 20** = <u>0</u>	X	= <u>0</u>
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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209	40	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
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581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
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194	130	194	130	Request for voluntary publication or republication	
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Title: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A TELEPHONE CALL

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